

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**DOCKETING DEPARTMENT**

**NOTICE OF FILING**

**DOCKET NO. 2007-172-C**

Global Connection of South Carolina, Inc. has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") an Application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1934, as amended, in certain BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina (BellSouth), Sprint (United Telephone Company of the Carolinas d/b/a Embarq), and Verizon South, Inc. (Verizon) exchanges. According to the Application, Global Connection of South Carolina provides local exchange and exchange access services in South Carolina using a combination of unbundled network elements ("UNEs"), using a combination of UNEs from BellSouth, Sprint, and Verizon. Further, the Application reveals that as an ETC, Global Connection of South Carolina, Inc. will also offer Lifeline and Link-up programs to qualifying low-income consumers.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Commission, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov), and is available from Houssam Abdallah, President, Global Connection Inc. of America, P.O. Box 48269, Atlanta, GA 30340.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **June 8, 2007**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2007-172-C.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, and Houssam Abdallah, President, at the above address, on or before **June 8, 2007**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2007-172-C.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **June 8, 2007**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2007-172-C.***

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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